

Today's Advertisements.

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.
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NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

A SMOKING CONCERT will be held in the Rooms of the above Institution, TONIGHT, the 16th instant, at 9 P.M.
Members and their Friends are cordially invited.

ARCHIBALD RITCHIE,
Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1173a]

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee and Statement of Account for the past year, and for the Election of a Committee for the ensuing year, and for the Transaction of General Business will be held in the CITY HALL, on TUESDAY, the 26th instant, at 6 P.M.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING.

THE Committee convenes a SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Society, to be held immediately after the Annual General Meeting, for the purpose of considering and passing certain alterations in the Constitution and Rules of the Society.

JAMES M. FORBES,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1184a]

MEDICAL.

UNIVERSITY Graduate practising in China desires to act as "LOCUM TENENS" for long or short period, in the East. Testimonials, &c., on Application.

Address: "MEDICAL,"
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Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1185a]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FUOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAI TAN,"

Captain Beach, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 19th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAURIE & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1186a]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.
(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and
AMERICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"VALETTA,"

Captain C. F. Preston, R.N.R., Harbours, carrying the Messrs. Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 20th instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1187a]

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A.—THORNE'S BLEND, White
Capsule \$10.80

B.—WATSON'S GLENROTHY
MELLOW BLEND, Blue
Capsule, with Name
and Trade Mark 10.80

C.—WATSON'S ABERLOCH
GLENROTHY, Red Cap-
sule, with name and
Trade Mark 12.00

D.—WATSON'S H.K.D. BLEND
OF THE FINEST SCOTCH
MALT WHISKIES, Vi-
olet Capsule 14.10

E.—WATSON'S VERY OLD LI-
QUEUR SCOTCH WHISKY,
Gold Capsule 15.00

THORNE'S BLEND and WATSON'S
GLENROTHY are high class Scotch
Whiskies, of greater age than most
brands in the market.

ABERLOCH-GLENROTHY is a very old
Scotch Whisky, (single) and much
now being replaced in stock at the price
of 12.00.

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sours to be the best brand in the
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A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1899.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE TRANSVAAL CRISIS.

The news given by Reuters, in the telegram which we publish to-day, to the effect that a meeting of Orange Free State burghers has passed a resolution to stand shoulder to shoulder with the Transvaal in case of hostilities, cannot be said to be either unexpected or surprising. True, the President of the Orange Free State recently denied that his State thought of taking up arms against the British Government, as reported by Reuters in a London telegram of 30th ultimo, but it must be remembered that the Free State and the Transvaal are bound by a treaty, made in 1867, to stand by one another in case of either being attacked, and it is doubtless on account of this treaty that the Free State burghers have adopted their present attitude. The population of the Orange Free State numbers 207,593, of whom 77,716 are whites. Every able bodied man, between the ages of sixteen and sixty, is obliged to take up arms in case of necessity, so it is evident that the forces of the Transvaal will be considerably augmented by the help of the sister state. The population of the Transvaal is about 80,000, of whom 250,000 are whites. Stretching southwards, between Griqualand, Natal and Basutoland, well into Cape Colony, and being bounded on the north by the Transvaal, the Orange Free State would greatly aid General Buller were he to attempt his proposed descent upon Capetown, by allowing his forces to travel a good part of the way through a friendly territory instead of having to force a passage through one or other of the surrounding British Colonies. On the other hand, in the event of hostilities, and the British troops proving victorious, the conquest of the Orange Free State as well as the Transvaal would render the whole of South Africa British, and do away with the somewhat incongruous position of a couple of independent, or semi-independent states wedged in between British colonies.

THE FILIPINOS.

We have frequently pointed out that the root of the trouble between the United States and the Philippines lies in the fact that the Americans are, to a very lamentable extent, utterly ignorant of the people with whom they have to deal. They have looked upon, and continue to look upon, the Filipinos as so many uneducated savages running about in a state of comparative nudity; a people who have assimilated no more of civilization than the art of using a gun. Take the cartoons on the situation published in the American papers; they generally represent the Filipino as a cross between the Papuan and the African negro, dressed in a short petticoat of leaves and decorated with a head necklace. Of course some allowance must be made for this on account of the picture being a cartoon and not a portrait, but, nevertheless, it is calculated to create a very wrong impression in the minds of the American people generally. In the same way the reports of the American newspaper correspondents only too frequently refer to the "niggers" or the "savages" and hence the wrong impression is kept up and the American public led to imagine that the present war is being waged against a primitive and uncivilized people who can have no possible claims to recognition by any government; a people who are incapable of looking after themselves and who, if released from the strong guiding hand of one of the great Powers, would quickly degenerate into a state of savage anarchy such as could be tolerated nowhere. This being the case, it is all the more gratifying to us to find that our contentions are borne out by two such unimpeachable authorities as Mr. Joseph Sticksney, the newspaper correspondent who stood beside Admiral Dewey at the battle of Cavite, and the Rev. John H. Peyton, their estimate of the Filipinos as published by the San Francisco *Call*, will be found in another column and will fully bear out what we have so often said with regard to these much abused and little-understood people.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

THE TRANSVAAL DIFFICULTY.

LONDON, September 14th.
Reuters' Correspondent at Bloemfontein wires that at a Meeting of Orange Free State burghers it was resolved to stand shoulder to shoulder with the Transvaal in case of hostilities.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—
On the 16th at 11.40 a.m. Barometric changes are unimportant. Pressure remains high over China and Japan, and low in the Pacific to the E. of Luzon. Gradients slight to moderate for N.E. winds on the coast and in the N. part of the China Sea. FORECAST:—Fresh N.E. winds; fair.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play at the Hongkong Hotel this evening from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

PROGRAMME.

1. March, "The King's Own."
2. Quadrille, "The King's Own."
3. Selection, "The King's Own."
4. Selection, "The King's Own."
5. Selection, "The King's Own."
6. Horn Dance, "The King's Own."
"God save the Queen."

BANGKOK thought it did rather well when it managed to run a concert and a farce "on its own" the other day. At Taipei last month, we see, a dramatic entertainment was given, and in the triple bill presented the farce was written by a resident, a magistrate in fact. They seem to be strong on the drama in that little Perak town.—*Bangkok Times*.

THE *Universal Gazette* is authority for the statement that Germany has demanded from China a recognition that "the whole region, south of the Yellow River, as far as and including Kaifeng, the provincial capital of Hunan, shall from henceforth be conceded as lying within the limits of Germany's sphere of influence," and that no reply has, as yet, been given to this demand.

A PRIVATE telegram from Peking received at Shanghai on Saturday last states that the Emperor had managed to write a letter to the Emperor of Japan which a confidential eunuch succeeded in taking to the Japanese Legation for transmission to Tokio. The letter contained an appeal to the Emperor to rescue the writer from his imminent danger of deposition, and death at the hands of assassins.

It is stated in reliable quarters at Peking that the fact that several powerful Viceroy, Governors, and Ministers of the Court have presented secret memorials to the Empress Dowager strongly deprecating any steps leading to the deposition of the Emperor has made her hesitate in placing a new occupant upon the throne. It is significant also that of the memorialists not a single one was of Manchu descent.

Mr. Jos. H. Love, who has made many friends in Hongkong during his short stay, severed his connection with the Waldorf Company and departed for the United States to-day on the *s.s. Gaelic*. The gentleman will return in a few months with a Company of twenty people supporting two of America's brightest stars, Lewis Morrison and Florence Roberts, who will produce a repertoire of plays that will include "Frederick the Great," "Faust," "Richard III." and "The Master of Ceremonies." The negotiations were consummated last week and Mr. Love received word to come to New York. The remaining members of the Waldorf Company will give one more performance and then take their leave for Australia, Virginia, Canada, the bright little emigna of the Waldorf Company concluded that she had seen enough of the Far East and has returned to San Francisco by the *s.s. Gaelic*. Miss Granna became a favourite among all classes by her bright and witty ways; and the Hongkong Volunteers think she is a whole show in herself.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

To-day at noon an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Electric Company, Limited, was held at the company's offices, Queen's Buildings, for the purpose of submitting the following resolution, passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on August 20th, for confirmation or otherwise:

1. That the capital of the company be increased to the sum of \$600,000 by the issue of 300,000 New Shares of \$2 each, which shall be considered part of the original capital and be subject to the provisions in the Articles of Association contained with reference to calls for transfer, transmission, lien, surrender, voting power and otherwise and that the directors be authorized to issue such New Shares at par.
2. That the said New Shares be offered to the persons who on the 16th day of September 1899, shall be the Registered members of the existing shares in the proportion of a New Share for each Existing Share held by them.
Mr. H. L. Dalrymple occupied the chair, and there were also present the Hon. C. P. Chater, Messrs. A. G. Ward, C. W. Dickson (directors), H. Wickham (manager), and others. On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Veitch, the resolution was passed.
This was all the business.

FAREWELL PERFORMANCE OF MISS JANET WALDORE.

Before leaving Hongkong for pastures new, Miss Waldore, with the kind assistance of the A.D.C., will give one more Performance at the Theatre Royal.

Her first appearance in Hongkong will be remembered as in scenes from Ingomar, assisted by Mr. Norval McGregor, and so satisfactory and pleasing were these same scenes, that there has been a most decided desire expressed to see the lady in a full performance of the play.

With the assistance of the A.D.C. who have proven themselves fully able to cope with the immortal bard Shakespeare, Miss Waldore will give the classic and barbaric play of Ingomar with the following cast:

Ingomar.....The Barbarian.....Norval McGregor
Timaroch.....G. H. Ardron
Polydor.....G. H. Sexton
Myron.....G. H. Noble
Lycan.....H. W. Looker
Amyntas.....R. D. Anderson
Alastor.....H. E. Green
Anubair.....Alhmanni
Novio.....C. H. Lamert
Triobantis.....C. H. Lamert
Actia.....H. E. Green
Myron's wife.....Mrs. A. D. Currier

Miss Janet Waldore as Parthenia.
All will be under the personal direction of Mrs. A. Dow-Currier.

A few notes from the Press of her native land Los Angeles, California.

"The Herald."
The chief claim of the impersonation of Parthenia by Miss Waldore was its girlish innocence and frank directness. The first touch of spring. Her facial expression is mobile and attractive. The role demands both comedy and tragedy; ranging as it does from light hearted simplicity to the characterisation of passionate scorn. All of which Miss Waldore has well in hand.

Mr. Norval McGregor's Ingomar is a fully able second. He has possession of a fine sonorous voice with the ability to use it effectively, and his acting was highly intelligent, forcible and effective.

The day and date of performance will be given in ample time to secure seats.

THE PLAGUE.

Cases reported to 15th instant 1,449
Do. do. during past 24 hours 12

Deaths reported to 15th instant 1,392
Do. do. during past 24 hours 2

Total 1,451
Total 1,394

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

HONGKONG, Friday, September 15th.
Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts, in their weekly share report, state:—Business, in consequence of political telegrams from home, has been more or less curtailed, and rates have in some instances suffered a slight reaction. The Douglas Steamship Company, Limited, has advertised its General Meeting for the 30th September. The transfer books will be closed from the 18th to 30th instant, both days inclusive. The China Mutual Steam Navigation Company, Limited, has given notice that its General Meeting held in London, an Interim Dividend of 5 per cent. was declared on the Company's Preference shares. The transfer books will be closed from the 18th instant to 1st proxima, inclusive, and Dividend Warrants will be ready on the 2nd of October. The China Borneo Company, Limited, (in Liquidation) has notified that its Register is opened till the 20th instant and all transfers dated on or before the 14th September, 1899, must be sent in immediately for the purpose of registration as only those Members whose names are on the Register will receive notice of the Reconstitution Scheme. Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled out of favour and only small sales at 350 per cent. premium have been effected. The London quotation remains unchanged at 462. Nationals are required for at \$26. Marine Insurances.—Unions have been sold at \$239 and \$260 and are steady at the latter rate. China Traders are steady at \$64. There is no business to report in Yangtzes and Cantons. Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fire has been in strong demand with the result that the stock is required for \$235 and \$240. The Chinese Fire Insurance Co. has been sold in small lots at \$88. Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamships are quiet at \$74 with no business to report. Indo-China have been in some demand and have been done at \$74 and \$72, closing with sellers at the latter rate. Douglas Steamships have declined to \$52 sales. We hear that the result of the year's working, after writing off \$7 for depreciation, leaves a profit of about \$34,000, which it is proposed to place to reserve. Star Ferries have improved their position and have been placed at \$19, \$19, and \$19. Refineries.—There is no business to report either in China Sugars or Lardons. Mining.—Punies are firm and sale at \$84. Gold.—\$19 have been taken place. Queen Mines have been sold at \$45 and \$47. Jubilee has been sold at \$12.85 are again firmer and have been done at \$13 and \$13. Raubs have been sold at \$53 and \$54. A telegram from Singapore gives the result of the July—August clean-up as follows:—2,350 tons stone crushed realised 1,600 ounces melted gold. Oivers "B" have changed hands at \$7.30, \$7.40 and \$7.50. Great Eastern and Caledonians are quiet and are obtainable at \$2.80. Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks after sales at 550 per cent. premium have been done at \$40 to 50 per cent. premium. London Wharf shares have been dealt in at \$99 and \$100. Now Amoy Dock have been placed at \$18. Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are firm with sales at \$114 and \$115. Hongkong Hotels have been negotiated at \$135 and \$136. Humphry's Estate have been sold at \$101 and \$103.50. China Providents are obtainable at \$7.75. Cotton Mills.—We have heard of no business in stocks under this heading. Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have been sold at \$30. China Borneos are wanted at \$16. A. S. Watsons are much firmer and have been taken off the market at \$16, \$16, and \$16.50. Blooms have been sold at \$13. Ropes have been bought at \$20. Fenwicks have been bought at \$42. United Asbestos (\$2 paid up) has been fixed at \$24. Tramways are wanted at \$147.

A RECORD PERFORMANCE.

The following from a Colonial contemporary is, we suppose, a record performance in the way of disqualifying "non triers."—At the Hongkong Racing Club's meeting, the other day, the stewards declared an unusual course in dealing with a batch of sluggish candidates in the fourth race. *Fannie*, the well-backed winner, was never approached during the race, and leading throughout, won in hollow fashion in slow time. After a consultation, the stewards concluded that the eleven other starters were "non triers," and they decided to disqualify all the ponies excepting the winners for a period of three months.

THE COLT MACHINE GUN.

The colt machine gun—one of the newest lead pumps—consists of a single barrel attached to a breech-loading which contains the mechanism for loading, firing, and ejecting, and its operation depends upon the pressure of the gases generated by the firing of the powder. A portion of these, passing out by a radial vent in the barrel close to the muzzle and entering a small cylinder that projects downwards, act on a piston attached to a pivoted arm which swings in a vertical plane through a considerable arc and operates the mechanism of firing. A feature of the gun is that the hammer used as the piston for an air pump, the function of which is to force a jet of air through the barrel, with the object of removing all residue or unburnt powder after the empty shell is extracted. The barrel is very thick—in the 303in. gun it measures 1 9/16in. in external diameter—and no water-jacket is fitted, the makers claiming it to be unnecessary in view of the slowness with which the heavy barrel becomes heated. They state that 8,000 rounds have been fired as fast as the cartridges could be fed in without the gun being put out of action, though the quality of the shooting began to suffer. Another advantage claimed for the machine is the simplicity of its construction, which reduces its liability to be stopped by such a cause as sand, and the rapidity with which it can be taken to pieces and put together again. Its weight is about 40lb., and that of the tripod upon which it was shown mounted—a structure with two equal short legs in front and a longer one behind—55lb. or 60lb. Elevation is given by means of a screw, and the gun is arranged to be aimed and fired with one hand. The cartridge-belt is coiled up in a box which is hooked on the breech casing and moves with the gun. At an exhibition in England recently three guns were shown in action, two being of 7mm. calibre and one of .303in. In the former the latter was used, in the latter Government cordite cartridge mark II. The objective consisted of eight first-class targets each measuring 12ft. by 6ft., giving a total surface of 96ft. by 6ft. Volleys were fired at twelve, ten, eight, and five yards, but as all the guns at each range were directed against the same target it was impossible to judge of the shooting at the different distances. The general result was that the 7mm. gun was the most accurate, and to have hit the target, a certain number of bullet marks being noticeable both at the extreme top and bottom. The vertical spread was stated to amount to about 7ft. at 1,200 yards. As to jamming, whether it was due to defective ammunition or to other causes, it certainly was not altogether absent; one of the 7mm. guns, for instance, stuck three times in the first 100 rounds, though it should be added that its subsequent behaviour was better. The machine gun used in Samoa recently, which jammed and cost two officers their lives, was a Colt. The U. S. War Department are now sending them out to the Philippines.

AN ESTIMATE OF THE FILIPINOS.

The last appeal made to the nations by the Filipinos, which recites the facts, already affirmed by one of Dewey's officers, that they had conquered Luzon and Panay single-handed, and that under the laws of nations it was theirs by the title of conquest when Spain pretended to sell it to us by the treaty of Paris, will again rouse what may be called a personal interest in these people. To what stage of civilization have they advanced and to what extent are they educated are queries that bear forcibly upon their standing and upon the most deplorable relation we occupy toward them.

There are two recent contributions to the stock of information on this subject that deserve respect and will command widespread confidence. Mr. John Howe Peyton of Pennsylvania, a missionary of the Episcopal lay order of St. Andrew, who has been in service among the United States troops since we invaded the islands, has written very comprehensively to Mr. Fortune of Pittsburg, who has published his letter. Mr. Peyton, after describing extensively into the country, intercourse with the people and investigation of their social and educational status, says: "These people surprise me greatly. A larger percentage of them read and write than I found among the country people of West Virginia, Tennessee and other of our States. They are wonderfully polite and courteous, genial and even affectionate when not repelled. And they have shown themselves brave in battle and persistent in purpose."

When the battle of Manila Bay was fought there stood with Dewey on the *Olympian* an ex-naval officer, whose offer to volunteer for the day's service was accepted by Dewey. This volunteer was Joseph L. Sticksney, whose account of the battle written as correspondent of the *Call* was the first detail to reach the outside world. Mr. Sticksney has remained in the Philippines and in touch with every phase of the subject ever since, and has just issued a book, "War in the Philippines," which begins with the first event and presents with painstaking particularity all obtainable documentary evidence on every side of the subject. Its narrative comes down to June 14, 1899, so that it is a reliable book of days to that date.

The author made the acquaintance of Aguinaldo and the members of his government. He says that Aguinaldo is only 29 years old, but is a thoroughly trained and intelligent leader, well educated and a lawyer of merit. Mr. Sticksney continues: "He won his leadership not by chance, but by his own energies and abilities, winning the insurrection against Spain in the latter part of 1896. Spain maintained a strict blockade, making the importation of arms impossible, and the rebellion languished. When it was on its last legs Spain offered to meet all the rebels' demands for governmental reform and pay the leader the sum of \$400,000 in gold to abandon the outbreak. Aguinaldo was to be paid the first half of the money in Hongkong, whereupon he was to notify his followers, who were then to lay down their arms. This was carried out at the close of 1897, and the treaty of Biyak was signed in all solemnity. Then, dealing with the Filipinos just as she dealt with the Cubans in 1895, Spain refused to carry out the rest of the agreement and the insurgents renewed the hostilities as fast as they could obtain equipment, the \$200,000 received by Aguinaldo going for that purpose. When the United States declared war against Spain the new rebellion was well under headway."

Here Mr. Sticksney quotes General Francis V. Greene, U. S. A., to show how honourable was the position maintained by Aguinaldo. Though he was sued by Artacho, another of the leaders, for a division of the money, he kept the sum intact as the trustee of his countrymen for the purpose of forcing redemption of the Spanish pledge of government reform. This part of Sticksney's narrative, affirmed by General Greene, is of special importance, since Aguinaldo has been held up to contempt by the imperialist press as a hypocrite who sold out his countrymen for Spanish gold. This view of him has been of injury to the people of the United States, who are furnishing the men and money to fight him, because it represented him as a mercenary quitter, a poltroon, who might be expected to run at any moment.

Of his officers Mr. Sticksney says:—"The Secretary of Foreign Affairs is Cayetano S. Arellano, formerly professor of law in Manila University, a magistrate and leader of the bar; his assistant in diplomacy is Dr. Pardo de Tavera, an author of repute and graduate of the University of Paris. The General Director of the War Department is Antonio Suna, a bacteriologist, student of Pasteur at Paris and graduate of his Institute. Jose Alexandrino is chief of the Bureau of Agriculture and Fernando Canto of Public Works, one a graduate of Ghent and the other of Leyden. The Bureau of Hygiene and Sanitation is in charge of Dr. Jose Albert, graduate of the University of Berlin. Ibarra, Secretary of Home Affairs; Basa, head of the Department of Justice; Alos, Chief of the Police Establishment, and Tanco, Registrar of the Department of Justice, are all university graduates and lawyers of distinction. Baldomero Aguinaldo is Secretary of War. Trios, Secretary of the Treasury, is a wealthy merchant, and so are Ledesma, Secretary of the Navy, and the Chief of the Bureau of Commerce. Pedro Paterna is President of the Philippine Congress and a graduate of the University of Madrid. Segardo, Chief of the Treasury Bureau, is a graduate of one of the English universities.

It is quite doubtful if any Cabinet in the world has as large a percentage of educated men as that of the Philippine republic, while Mr. Peyton's testimony as to the universality of education among the people goes to show that the university men are not exceptional instances resting upon a foundation of ignorance, but the natural outgrowth of the love of a people for learning and the liberty to which it leads.—*S. F. Call*.

MIXED METAPHORS AT THE CAPE.

"At this moment, when the Cape Parliament is occupying so much attention, it may not be amiss," writes a correspondent to a home paper, "to record a speech I heard delivered in that House about two years ago. The speaker was opposing a certain bill introduced by two members. He was English by name and speech, more or less Dutch in sentiment and sympathy, gaunt, tall; a highly respectable old gentleman. He wagged a long beard and a long forefinger; and this is what he said: 'The members for X and Y and Z and the other member for Y declare it is a measure of your good. But it is not; it is a cockatrice's egg, and from this cockatrice's egg they have hatched a flaming fire serpent. See, I know, I see it flying about in this House. And I warn you (wagging the long forefinger), I warn the Dutch members of this House—they are offering it up as an olive branch. Do not accept it as an olive branch—it is a cockatrice, in which you will all be engulfed.' This member must be a lineal descendant of Sir Boyle Roche, for his speech irresistibly recalls the famous, 'I smell a rat; I see it brewing in the wind; but I will nip it in the bud!'

SHOOTING IN ANGHONG.

A SERIOUS AFFAIR.

A correspondent informs us, says the *Bangkok Times* of the 14th inst., that information has reached Bangkok of a serious occurrence at Anghong last evening. It seems that about half past seven o'clock, while Captain Scarlett's men were having dinner by the side of the river, they heard a "gong beating" in the Governor's compound on the outside of the river. Immediately afterwards twelve shots were fired from the Governor's compound across the river into Captain Scarlett's launches and houses. The chief engineer of one boat was shot through the groin, and a woman sitting on the bank above the launches was slightly wounded. The wounded man was brought down by launch last night, and is now in the Bangkok Hospital.

Captain Scarlett had himself a narrow escape, one bullet whizzing close past his head and burying itself in the wood of his house.

Such is the information that has been received in Bangkok, and the matter will no doubt be the subject of a strict inquiry.

Later we hear that information has been received regarding the affair in the British Consulate this morning. It is also alleged that the shots were fired by members of the Gendarmier force stationed at Anghong.

September 6th.
Though officially there is nothing to be learned regarding the Anghong affair beyond a denial of the accuracy of the reports that have already appeared, more details are now to hand. The unfortunate affair is exciting a great deal of interest in Anghong, and it did not take place in a corner. From the information we have received there seems every reason to believe that the shots were not fired across the river, and that they were premeditated.

A GOLD STANDARD FOR SIAM.

IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT OF FINANCIAL POLICY.

Siam is about to adopt a gold standard. At least there is a good prospect that this step of far reaching importance will be taken almost immediately. It is known that the Comptroller-General has recommended the adoption of this policy, and that he has elaborated a scheme which is now under the consideration of the Government. His Majesty, it is said, has expressed general approval of the proposal. Anyhow it will come before the Legislative Council in a few days, and if that body approve one may expect to see a royal decree issued instituting the change almost at once.

We do not know the details of the measure, but the essential features are: the closing of the Mint to the free coinage of silver and the fixing of the price of the tical at, we believe, sixteen pence. That by the way is the same as the rupee under the new Currency Bill of the Government of India. Of course the decree of the last reign under which the value of the tical was fixed at three-fifths of the Mexican dollar would have to be rescinded at the same time. A Siamese gold currency could not be profitably adopted at present, but it is proposed to set aside the profits on the coinage of the new tical as a special fund and in the course of ten years or so it is hoped by this means to be able to establish a gold currency. In any case, one may suppose the present wasteful system of buying dollars to coin into ticals will be stopped, and bar silver will be bought for the purpose in London.

Naturally the Banks here have been consulted in regard to the proposed change, and we understand it has been arranged that large deposits which the Government has at each of them would be entered under the new standard at the present exchange value of the tical.—*Bangkok Times*.

A REFORM PARTY IN CHINA.

A PROPHECY.

Upon information which he declared to be "absolutely reliable," Mr. Geoffrey Drage, M. P., speaking at Derby last month, made an important statement with reference to China. He said the attention of England would shortly be again directed to the Celestial Empire. In China, as in the Transvaal, a reform party had appeared, consisting not of Outlanders, but of the most intelligent Chinese, and led by Prince Ching, one of the highest Manchurian aristocracy. He (Mr. Drage) had always regretted that the Government did not see their way to support the Emperor and the reform party last year, but there were signs that the opportunity would recur.

The reform party, led as it is by one of the ablest of old aristocracy, would, he was informed, receive not only the support of every part of China, but it was actually being supported by the Japanese Government. If the reform movement succeeded, it

N.E. breeze, moderate sea, hazy, with

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
*RIJUN MARU J. W. Ekstrand.	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via Kobe and Yokohama.	THURSDAY, 21st Sept., at 4 P.M.
KANAGAWA MARU J. Mackenzie.	MARSEILLES, SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	FRIDAY, 22nd Sept., at Noon.
YAWATA MARU A. E. Moses.	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO- HAMA.	SATURDAY, 23rd Sept., at 4 P.M.
KOSAI MARU J. Nagao.	VLADIVOSTOK, via SWATOW, AMOI, SHANGHAI, WEL-PAI-WEI, CHIEHO, CHEMULPO & NAGASAKI.	THURSDAY, 28th Sept., at Noon.
FUTAMI MARU J. Thom.	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.	FRIDAY, 29th Sept., at 4 P.M.
KAGOSHIMA MARU R. Nunome.	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 29th Sept., at 4 P.M.
SADO MARU W. Thompson.	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID.	FRIDAY, 6th October, at Noon.

* Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

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Hongkong, 9th September, 1899.

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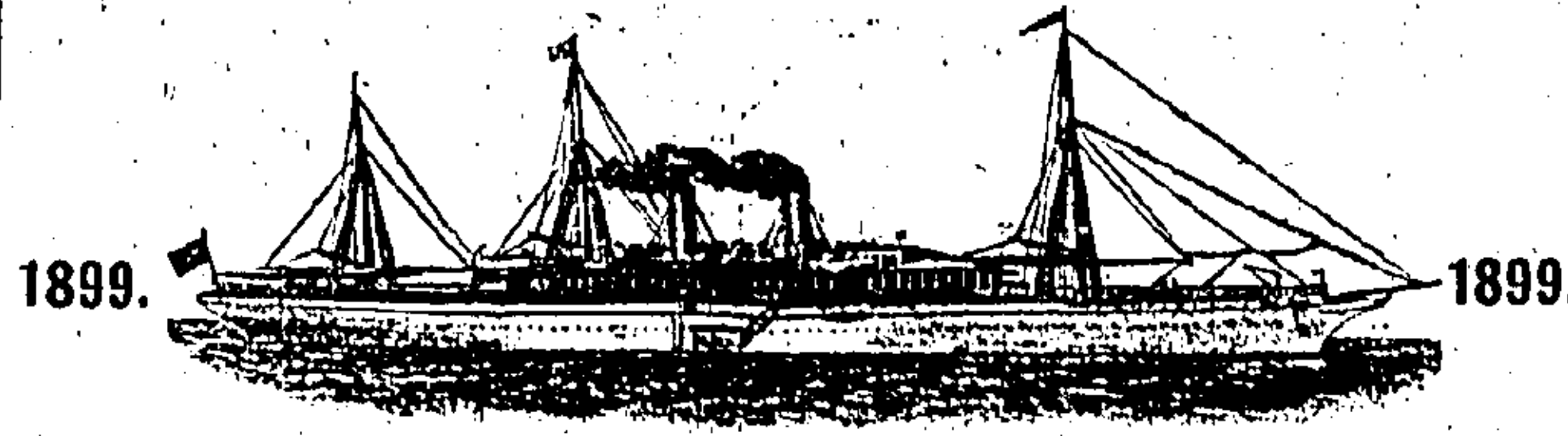
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Hongkong, 30th August, 1899.

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TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

HONGKONG MARU
(via Shanghai, Naga-
saki, Kobe, Inland
Sea, Yokohama and
Honolulu) Saturday, 23rd Sept.,
at Daylight.

NIPPON MARU (via
Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea,
Yokohama & Hono-
lulu) Thursday, 19th Oct.,
at Noon.

AMERICA MARU (via
Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea,
Yokohama & Hono-
lulu) Tuesday, 14th Nov.,
at Noon.

THE Steamship

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will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND
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Hongkong, 8th September, 1899.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
NURNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	26th Sept.
*SAVOIA	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	26th Sept.
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SERBIA	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	26th Sept.
Ostermann	HAVRE and HAMBURG	26th Sept.
*HEIDELBERG	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	26th Sept.
Schiller	HAVRE and HAMBURG	26th Sept.
ANDALUSIA	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	26th Sept.
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Belgian King... 3,379 | about | Oct. 31

German Emperor... 2,929 | about | Nov. 15

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1899.

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Shanghai,
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land Sea, Yokohama
and Honolulu) Tuesday, 3rd October,
at Noon.City of Rio de Janeiro
(via Shanghai, Naga-
saki, Kobe, Inland
Sea, Yokohama and
Honolulu) Friday, 27th October,
at Noon.City of Peking (via
Shanghai, Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea,
Yokohama & Hono-
lulu) Tuesday, 21st Nov.,
at Noon.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1899.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen... Wednesday 11th Oct.

Bayern... Wednesday 18th Nov.

Kaiser... Wednesday 13th Dec.

Prinz... Wednesday 27th Dec.

Frankfurt... Wednesday 10th Jan.

Karlsruhe... Wednesday 24th Jan.

Sachsen... Wednesday 7th Feb.

Hamburg... Wednesday 21st Feb.

Bayern... Wednesday 7th Mar.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of Oct., 1899, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain F. Meitz, with PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

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AN EPISODE OF THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.

It was hot, villainously hot. So was the firing. So were transport mules, Chinese stretcher coolies, advancing troops and the poor bleeding wretches who were being put into the ambulances. So was all the available water. So were the little "no" of correspondents who drummed their heels on the sides of a stack of biscuit boxes, on the side of the railway embankment and anathematised the war, editors in general and the Press-Censor in particular. But the very hottest thing of all was Ponsonby. And Ponsonby, the usually calm and urbane Ponsonby, the well-tried representative of the *Daily Galaxy*, was now swearing like a trooper, or for the matter of that like a thousand troopers. Had he lost his pony and smashed his camera? Had not a staff officer ordered him "Fifteen paces behind the Staff if you please, gentlemen?" And had he not fallen headlong into a buffalo wallow, thereby befouling his usually neat attire and twisting his ankle?

Around us was nothing but smoke and dust through which the midday sun glowed in a crimson ball. A few hundred yards to the northward, on either side of the line of railroad, lay a long line of blue and brown clad humanity, from which came a rattling sound as though millions of crackers were being ignited in one continuous stream. Then, cutting the dust laden air with their sobbing screams, the bullets of the foe came flying overhead, occasionally alighting on the brown sunbaked ground with dull thuds or clanging loudly on the iron roof of the station in whose rear we were taking shelter. A queer looking trio we were, dust begrimed and smoke stained, booted and spurred, belted and revolvered. And the worst of it was we had none of us broken our fast that day. As Agden, of the *San Francisco Scimitar* remarked "While we are waiting here we might as well investigate the 'hard tack,' anyhow."

To this proposition I assented. A big stone and a jack knife soon had a case opened and our teeth busy, and when I unearthed a tin of sardines from my hip pocket even Ponsonby forgot to swear further. Whilst thus engaged the firing ceased, there were a couple of bugle calls, a series of "yells" from the American troops as they rushed from their rice ridge shelters and dashed forward in pursuit of the fleeing foe. Speedily we were following in their wake, pausing only now or then to look at a wounded man being borne rearwards on a stretcher. The advance line is soon overtaken, they have lost all sight of the fleet footed Filipinos and are now resting and awaiting a well earned meal. Our notes are soon jotted down and we proceed to investigate a neighbouring hamlet which, after firing, the insurgents have vacated.

"Look like a work here," said Agden, pointing to the church from which a shell had gently removed a corner.

We acquiesce and proceed to investigate the interior. There is every indication that some attempt had been made to loot it. A confused heap of altar ornaments and priests vestments lie on the floor, some oil paintings have been cut from their frames, a crucifix has fallen prone on the altar; the whole is one terrible scene of desolation. After leaving the church we enter the adjacent priest's quarters and, finding them comfortable, proceed to camp there for the night. My humble servant is installed as annex, a chicken or anything edible which comes handy. By this time a number of the victorious troops have entered the village and are looking about the place, taking sections of *Arma* with which to make camping "shacks," collecting firewood, seeking water, eggs, etc. Time passes, Agden returns but no Ponsonby. It gets dark but the village is ablaze with the light of one or two blazing buildings. We ramble about, looking here, making enquiries there. Still no sight of our friend. Anyhow it is no use seeking him further to-night; he is sure to turn up all right. So after a pleasant little meal we "turn in."

I must have been asleep some hours when something disturbed me. What on earth is that? There, standing at the foot of my bed is a young native woman. Naturally I spring to my feet, awaking Agden as I do so. The mysterious damsel says something in Spanish. What it means neither Agden nor myself can comprehend, but now and then she glances at the insurgents and her ears catch the words "with them and how our present visitor can have remained behind is a mystery. She is evidently anxious about something, for see how she is peering."

After a brief consultation as to what to do we follow the lady through the door and into the church. She trips along the floor and goes right up to the altar, seizing some drapery at its side as she reaches it. There is a light in the thick wall of the church is a doorway from which descends a flight of steps. Taking a candle from some place lying scattered about the floor she lights it and proceeds to descend. Round and round we wind and there at the bottom, his head bound in a blood stained bandage is Ponsonby, evidently very seriously hurt, looking deathly pale but now peacefully sleeping.

To say that we were thunderstruck would be to put it faintly. As neither Agden nor myself can speak either Spanish or Tagalog we cannot ask the lady for a lady she evidently is, judging by her manner, her dress and jewels. She sits on some piece of wood, her face resting on her hands, occasionally glancing at us as we pass. How the weary hours passed that night with Agden and myself attending on our injured friend. I could hardly tell. At length came the dawn and I went off in search of a surgeon, after having assisted Agden to get Ponsonby up the steps leading from the crypt into the church. A doctor was soon found and came with all speed with me to the church. His diagnosis was to the effect that Ponsonby must have discovered the station by some accident, had fallen down it in the darkness and injured his head. It was impossible to say how severe such injury might be and although he had every hope of a rapid recovery he would not try to give us any false impressions. An ambulance was soon on the spot, our wounded friend placed inside and we started for town, Agden having kindly volunteered to do my work in the field during my brief absence. The journey to town was speedily accomplished and I left Ponsonby in the hands of the good Sisters of the San Juan de Dios hospital. Meanwhile I had completely forgotten the signorita and it was not until I met Agden at Malolos some three days after that I gave her a thought. Then I learned that she had vanished as mysteriously as she had appeared.

Meanwhile the campaign went on. Weeks passed, the insurgents were driven back, driven back, Ponsonby had got out of hospital and was recuperating in town and as the rainy season was in full swing and nothing of importance was taking place in the country Agden and myself were also "resting." We were one evening sitting on the hotel verandah when Ponsonby walked up. After a few words of greeting he said "Well, boys, I'm sorry to leave you, but on to-morrow, my wife joins me."

"Oh, chin-chins," Am-bound for Calcutta and thence by P. & O. home."

"Your wife," Agden and myself exclaimed simultaneously.

"Yes, my wife."

"But we didn't know you were married."

"No, I don't suppose you did. But you remember the lady who found me in the church at Malolos?"

"Well, I'm hanged," It was Agden who spoke. I was practically dumfounded and stood staring at Ponsonby with all my eyes. Then I managed to blurt out—

"But how did she get into town?"

"I really couldn't tell you," she came and saw me in the hospital. How she ever found me in the church I don't know and have not yet mustered up sufficient Ponsonby to enquire."

We were sorry to lose Ponsonby, who was always a decent fellow. But Agden will have it that his brain was affected by the fall into that curious crypt. And Agden is probably right for, if not, why didn't Ponsonby invite us to his wedding?

MACOLE.

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A SPIRIT BRIDE.

BY ANDREW HAGGARD, (Author of "Dodo and I," "Aida Triscott," etc., etc.)

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THE origin of the very sad adventure, which has tinged my life with grief, was that I went by invitation to a séance which was held in a haunted house. Although the owner and his wife had for long been disturbed by horrid shrieks and other unaccountable noises, and although the servants and themselves had occasionally had fleeting "reconferences" with flitting shadowy forms, they had never been able to make out what it was that the ghosts wanted, as these never stopped long enough to be asked. At length, however, it became almost impossible to live in the house, the spirits that inhabited it having developed the unpleasant habit of twitching the bed-clothes at night from off the living inhabitants. It was of no use putting them on again, they were twitched off repeatedly. Now, even a worm will turn, and my friends, Mr. Smith and his wife, who had given the spiritual inhabitants of the old Manor House a free rein as long as they had contented themselves with shriekings, trappings, rattling of chains, and sudden flittings by in the long passages, drew a line at twitching of bed-clothes. They therefore determined to obtain the services of the most powerful medium of the day, and, if possible, make the ghosts materialise fully, give an account of themselves, and say what it was they wanted. Smith was a stockbroker, without a scrap of superstition in his nature. He had only bought the Manor House a year or two before, and would not in the least have objected to buying the family ghost also, on account of the air of respectability that it would give the place, had he been told about it. But he had been "done." Instead of one family ghost there were evidently two or three, and they were not only not respectable, but distinctly malignant and spiteful spirits.

"I would not mind them much," said Smith to me, "if only they would treat me fairly; but as they don't appear inclined to do that, I will be even with them soon by pulling the old house down until the site it occupied is as flat and unrecognisable as the place where stood Babylon of old. I will put the plough over it too, and turn it into an apple orchard," he added reflectively. "Apples do very well down there. Not much fun they'll get twitching bed-clothes, but they'll be checked severely between their teeth." But I'll tell them all this at the séance, and given them a chance though. Perhaps when I have made it quite plain to them, that if I have to go they will have to go too, they will be a bit more reasonable, and we may be friends yet. But we'll have a nice little party at the séance, even if it is the last party we can have in my house."

As Smith said, he had a nice little party, but with a view to making the thing a greater success, he had only invited those whom he had heard of as being believers in spiritualism. Some of these he had never even met himself before, thus as a party it was scarcely a congenial one, for very few of these present knew each other, not that that made much difference to the people, who only went with the object of studying the supernatural.

When Mr. Hawkshaw, the celebrated medium, arrived from town it was eleven o'clock at night. About a dozen of the visitors arrived with him, and as there were several people already assembled we formed quite a large party. The medium was shown over the house and told to choose a room in which he thought the séance had better be held. He selected a musty old room known as the library. There were not very many books in it, but what there were were large and heavy ones, and there were plenty of chairs, sofas, and settees, quite sufficient, indeed, to accommodate all the guests. As I took my seat on the end of the sofa, I particularly noticed that the chair against it to my right was unoccupied.

We determined at first to sit in the dark, so we bound the medium hand and foot and laid him on a sofa, secured him tight with every knot with many seals, and turned out the lights. No sooner were the lights turned out than a fearful crash was heard behind us on my side of the room. It was the sound of falling books, and as we heard one mighty tome after another being dashed violently on the floor the air became redolent of dust. It was almost stifling.

Suddenly a voice shouted out in an authoritative tone, "You had better all join hands and sing a hymn, there are bad spirits present." I knew the voice to be that of John Roberts, the medium's controlling spirit. He has been in his lifetime one of the earliest disciples of John Wesley, and had always shown himself to be a religious God-fearing spirit. In accordance with John Roberts' directions I took hold of the hand of the person on my left, and was leaning across the empty chair on my right to take that of my nearest neighbour, when I found the chair was no longer unoccupied, for a little hand instantly seized mine. I had hardly time for astonishment, indeed only just had time to think that someone must have moved nearer to me, when the din in the room became so terrific that it seemed as if all the powers of hell had broken loose. All the fallen books commenced flying round the room, we were violently lifted up on our seats and shaken, and we could then hear a large table overturned with a smash.

"Strike a light," roared out John Roberts, "or someone will be killed."

Instantly half a dozen matches were lighted, just in time for me to see that a heavy bookcase was tottering and about to fall on the heads of several of the people opposite. When the lights were struck, and candles lighted, I was able to see whose hand it was I was grasping on my right. I found it was that of a most beautiful young lady, a brunette, with a perfect figure, splendid black hair, and a pair of lovely and lustrous dark eyes, which were turned somewhat mockingly upon mine.

"Are you frightened," she asked, smiling somewhat sarcastically. "I should have

thought, Mr. Ashburton, you were accustomed to the antics of the time."

"Never mind, hold tight on to me, I am smaller than you, but I will protect you all the same. The spirits and I are very good friends."

I wondered how she knew my name, but giving her hand a responsive grip, I answered, "Well, really, my dear young lady, you make me feel a little ashamed of myself, but I must honestly own I do not like the idea of being hit in the eye by the brass-bound corner of an ancient bible, or of having my head bashed in by a falling book-case. Still I am glad to find that you are a friend of the spirits."

I added, laughingly, "as, then, quite apart from your generous offer to protect me, you will probably run less risk of being hurt yourself."

"Hush," she said, laying a shapely finger on her charming lips, "we must go on with the séance. Don't you know we have come here to see the ghosts? But we will not go on with the business quite in the dark any longer. It is too rough altogether." Then to my surprise she spoke in an authoritative voice, "John Roberts, we cannot run this séance quite in the dark or there will be accidents. We must have a couple of lamps lit and turned down low, placed at the corners of the room, and you must watch to see that the evil spirits do not overturn them and put them out."

"Very well, Miss Evelyn," answered the voice of the controlling spirit. "I think it will be safer for the medium too."

"Have you any lamps, Miss Smith?" said my fair neighbour to her hostess. "If so you had better light them, and place them as I direct."

Neither Mrs. Smith nor anybody else seemed to have the slightest idea who the young lady was who was thus taking the direction of affairs into her own hands, but she replied, "Oh, certainly, Miss—"

"Miss Evelyn," I interposed the girl.

"Here are some lamps, Miss Evelyn, just outside the door. Where shall we put them?" For everyone recognised the fact that it was just as well that this very self-possessed young lady should be allowed to take the lead, as nobody else seemed to know what to do.

She lit the lamps and placed them in the corners, turned low; then, coming back to her seat next me to my great satisfaction she once more took possession of my hand in her firm, but dutiful grasp. "There," said she smiling at me, "Now, Mr. Ashburton, we shall see something."

"I expect we shall, Miss Evelyn," I replied. "And if so, it will be entirely due to you." I only wished I knew Miss Evelyn. Miss Evelyn—what? But I liked the name Evelyn in itself without any surname.

We had not long to wait. We had scarcely resumed the clasp of hands all round before the medium was suddenly lifted off the sofa, carried across the room over our heads, and placed on the wide top of the book-shelf which was so recently nearly fallen down.

"He will do there nicely," said Miss Evelyn. "He's in a trance, and they will probably bring him down again if they want him. If not we can fetch him down ourselves."

After the medium, the sofa that he had been lying on followed him on to the top of the book-case. It was placed right over him upside down, but he did not seem in any way annoyed by its weight, or indeed, aware of its presence. Then the table upon which was one of the lamps was taken violently up, thrown down again and smashed, but the lamp was taken across the room and carefully placed by the other one.

"I saved that lamp," called out the voice of the "Control," John Roberts, as if seeking for approbation.

"Yes, John," said Miss Evelyn, "that was right of you; but all these manifestations are simply rubbish. What we came here for was to see the materialised form of the ghosts that haunt this house, and to find out, if possible, what they want, not to see them play the fool like this."

"I know that, Miss Evelyn," answered John. "But they are bad, unruly spirits, who neither know me nor care for me at all."

"Well, you had better tell them that if they don't show themselves now they will never get another chance, as Mr. Smith is going to pull the house down over their heads. Are you not, Mr. Smith?"

"Yes, I am," answered Mr. Smith, staring with astonishment. "But how do you know this?"

Before she could answer a frightful sound of combined clapping and shouting was heard outside coming along the corridor. The library door flew open and two hideous beasts burst in. They had horrible human heads covered with long grey hair; one was a male and the other a female, and their bodies were those of baboons. Their eyes were fierce, and their teeth long and sharp. They rushed round the room, clashing savagely at us as they passed, but stopped suddenly in front of the terrified Smith. Mrs. Smith and another lady fainted just then.

"You want to see us Smith, do you? Well, here we are. And the reason that we are here is, that we are the Darwinian ancestors of the Smith family. The missing links, in fact. Do you see any resemblance to yourself? And they gnashed their teeth dreadfully at him. "Now, say, are you going to keep us, or are you going to clear out and leave us and the place to ourselves?" And they made as if they would tear him to pieces. We were all nearly terrified out of our wits at these awful creatures, when the silvery tones of Miss Evelyn's voice somewhat reassured us.

"You silly people," she said, "don't think anybody's afraid of you, for although you have made such frights of yourselves, you have overdone it so much that a baby could see you are only masquerading. Missing links, indeed! Nonsense! If you really want anything settled, why not appear in your proper form?"

"She's too clever for us," growled the female missing link. "Who is she? Well, perhaps she's right, so let's change. I am tired of this ugly form, at any rate. But in spite of what she says, we have nearly frightened a couple of women to death. That's some satisfaction."

"Very well, change," said the male being.

The words were no sooner out of his mouth, when two of the handsome creatures it has ever been my lot to behold stood before us—a gentleman and a lady clad in the court dress of the time of Charles II. But their faces, if handsome, were very, very evil. The lady swept round in front of me, and making a low curtsy, asked, with a hard sarcastic laugh, if I liked her any better so?

"Certainly, madam," I replied, "very much better. But now you have assumed your proper and graceful form, will you not kindly tell us your history?"

They related their history, which, to cut it short, was as follows—

They had inhabited this house formerly in Charles II.'s days when the lady had been in the habit of wearing her beauty to lure the richest gallants of the day under their roof—one at a time. As she had always made absolute secrecy the condition of her favour, when the unfortunate cavaliers had been "decayed" by her, and robbed and murdered by the male partner in her guilt, who was her husband, discovery of the whereabouts of the victims when they were missed, became almost an impossibility. But the guilty couple had been found out at length and executed, and now they were doomed for ever to haunt the spot where they had committed their crimes. What they wished for, therefore, was to be left

in undisputed possession of the Manor House. A compromise was come to by the intermediary of the self-possessed and beautiful Miss Evelyn. Smith agreed on the one side to give up to them entirely the oldest wing of the house. They agreed, on the other hand, never again to twitch at the bed-clothes, or in any way whatever to annoy the Smith family or their descendants. Smith and the male apparition shook hands on the compact, for the two ghosts were fully materialised for the time being. The lady also insisted upon shaking hands with me, as she was kind enough to say she still had a weakness for good-looking young fellows. Personally, I did not at all like shaking hands with even the ghost of a murderess, but I thought it best to comply with a good grace. They then bowed politely to the company, and walking arm in arm out of the room, disappeared for ever. John Roberts and other well-disposed spirits then quietly with unseen hands replaced Mr. Hawkshaw, the medium, and the sofa in their original position. Hawkshaw was awakened from his trance, and the séance terminated pleasantly. Then we all went down to the dining-room to an excellent supper, of which we stood greatly in need.

During this meal, the host and hostess, the latter of whom had quite recovered from her fright, both made a great deal of Miss Evelyn, but, imagining, perhaps, that she had come with a friend, they asked her no questions as to her surname, nor how she had managed to arrive so opportunely on the scene that evening, although I have cause to know that their curiosity about her was very great. But in fact they were just a little afraid of her. For my part, the more I saw of this girl the more I was struck with her beauty; while she continued to glance at me, staring to say, with a look in her grand lustrous eyes which was positively affectionate, and it seemed to me somehow from that look that she wished me to remain near her. It was at the same time a clinging and caressing glance. I did not refuse its unspoken invitation, but kept by her side when we sat down to supper. I found her a most interesting and well-read companion. She seemed to know about everything and everybody, and was just as much at home in Voltaire or Rabelais as she was in the books of Rider Haggard, or in the ordinary park and society gossip of the day. Supper ended, our host was in somewhat of a drowsy mood. The last train from Kingston, which was the nearest station to the Manor, had gone to town, and he did not quite know how to dispose of all his guests, especially as now he had surrendered one wing to the spirits, he could only offer some of them, Miss Evelyn and myself included, shake-downs upon arm-chairs and sofas. Miss Evelyn, however, spoke in her quiet decided way: "Thanks, Mr. Smith, do not bother about me at all. I must be up in town very early indeed, and intend to stroll quietly along by the river and wait for the first train at Richmond. It is a lovely night for a walk, and I feel that the air would do me good. I am quite capable of taking care of myself, unless, indeed, any gentleman—and she glanced at me—is dying for a cigar, and would like to come to me."

I, of course, took the hint, and offered my escort for the seven mile walk, which she accepted.

"Oh! Mr. Smith," she said, when this was quite settled, "you can, by the way, go to-night without fear the wing you have promised to give up. I can answer for it that you will not be molested at all, for I was responsible for the arrangement being made in the first instance, and I understand the spirits thoroughly. I will, therefore, make myself responsible for them not to take possession until to-morrow-night at twelve o'clock."

Her air of quiet conviction brought great relief to Smith and those who wished for a bed to sleep in, although no one knew who she was, her face was very truthful, and after the event of the evening it was evident that she indeed knew thoroughly well all about the spirits and their doings.

That was an eventful walk I had with this strange young lady by night along the river bank. The harvest moon shone upon the rippling waters, and all nature seemed at peace. She had taken my arm, and in a short time it seemed to me as if our thoughts and minds were blended together—and I felt that she too was deeply moved by the beauty of the midnight scene. Her arm trembled in mine, and presently she said, answering my unspoken thought—

"Yes it is heavenly, but do you not think that it is more beautiful in the spheres where the spirits dwell than it is even here to-night?"

"No," I answered gazing passionately upon her. "Nothing in this or any world can be more beautiful than this."

She sighed deeply—then looked up in my face with a sweet smile and said earnestly—

"Ah! George Ashburton, that is simply because you think you love me, is it not? You do not even know my name, beyond having heard the spirit say that Roberts call me Evelyn. You do not know where I came from, nor where I go—you have never seen me until four years ago—and yet now you think in your heart that you love me better than all the world. What you would jump into that river for my slightest wish, I verily believe—Say, is it not so?"

"Beautiful Evelyn," I replied, you are indeed right. I do not think, but know, that I love you as you say, sufficiently to lay my life down for you if it need be. Ah! I verily believe that you have bewitched me."

"Perhaps I have," she answered more modestly, "but how do you know that you have not, by some willful but unfortunate accident, been bewitched me too? I am not in the habit of taking midnight walks with strange gentlemen, you know. How do you know that this is not all a delusion—a dream? What means have you of telling that you are you, or that I am I? After the strange things you have seen to-night, why might not I rather be some vampire or evil spirit, seeking to lure you to destruction for purposes of my own? Do I look anything like an evil spirit?" she asked, looking up at me archly.

"Oh! no," I exclaimed vehemently, "you are no evil spirit, but some good true woman, some woman whom I have known before somewhere, though I know not when or how, for you remind me of someone I seem to have seen in a dream—but evidently you know me, and know me well. Oh! I must tell you that I adore you first—you can tell me who you are or not as you choose." And losing all control of myself I wound my arms round the beautiful girl and drew her to my heart. Oh! never, never shall I forget the exquisite sweetness and witchery of that moment when her lovely lips first met mine—for, oh, rapture, she ardently returned my loving embrace. Presently she threw back her shapely head a little, and I observed that there were tears coursing down her pale cheeks—her great dark eyes were glistening with the pearls drops in the radiant moonlight.

"Oh! love you, George," she whispered, "love you more than I can tell, with a greater deeper love than woman ever yet had for man. Were it not so, I should not be here now. But I can tell you nothing now, you will have to take me entirely on trust. Moreover you will have to put up with my involuntary absence from you for thirty six hours in every week, from every Saturday night until Monday at mid-day, and ask no questions as to where I go or what I do. Some day, perhaps, you may lose me alto-

gether. If you can endure this—if you can stand this tremendous test, then indeed will your love be proved to be great, noble, and true, and as a reward for the sacrifices you make to comply with my conditions, we may be allowed one or two heavenly years of happiness together, we must not expect more than that, I warn you beforehand. Do not decide now. I will see you to-morrow—you can tell me what you have determined on then. One word more; if you think the conditions I impose are hard, know this, that I am utterly powerless to avoid making them, and that it is as painful to me to impose them as it will be to you to comply with them. Further, I may tell you this, although you cannot remember when or where it was, yet we have met before, and moreover, I have made the most frightful sacrifices to be enabled to meet you again. Now kiss me, and let us be happy to-night in our love, while leaving this matter of your final decision concerning our future till to-morrow."

Silently I unfolded her once more in my arms, and as I did so, I felt even more strongly than before that we were one in heart and soul. And I too knew somehow that it was not for the first time on this evening that I had loved her pure spirit, although the beautiful bodily form that veiled it was new to me.

(To be concluded.)

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Auctions.

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By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 2nd September, 1899. [1159a]

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.									
No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Containing in Acres, Roods, and Perches.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.				
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"COROMANDEL,"
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
This vessel brings on Cargo—
From London, ex S.S. *Rome*.
From Australia, ex S.S. *Oriental*.
From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co's Steamers.
Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY.
Goods not cleared by the 21st instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.
All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.
H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 13th September, 1899. [11695]

MEE CHEUNG, PHOTOGRAPHER.
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN Ice-House Road.

IS now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to eclipse, at his home, ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED in the Colony or in any part of the Far East. GROUPS AND VIEWS
Hongkong, 12nd September 1899. [11695]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"
Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1899. [1179a]

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship

"MAIDZURU MARU,"
Captain T. Ogata, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1899. [1151a]

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"INDRANI,"
Captain Campbell, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at Noon.
For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1065a]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"
Captain P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at 3 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th September, 1899. [1167a]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
THE Company's Steamship

"SACHSEN,"
Captain F. Mentz, due here with the outward German Mail about the 19th instant, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.
For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1899. [1169a]

FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG,"
Captain Moore, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 22nd instant.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.
The Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1899. [1175a]

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"
Captain Nelson, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at Noon.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.
A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 8th September, 1899. [1147a]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"
Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.
A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
For Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 8th September, 1899. [1147a]

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"ARGYLE,"
will be despatched for the above port and will be followed by S.S. "JOHN SANDERSON." At Intervals S.S. "AFGHANISTAN" of 2 weeks.
For Freight, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, 7th September, 1899. [141a]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR TIENSIN AND NEWCHANG.
THE Company's Steamship

"KWEIYANG,"
Captain Outerbridge, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 5th September, 1899. [1135a]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship

"PYRRHUS,"
Captain Batt, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 13th September, 1899. [1093a]

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Full-powered Steamship

"PISA,"
Captain Fendt, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 23rd instant.
The Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and has an Average Speed of 13 knots per hour.
For Freight or Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 11th September, 1899. [1038a]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship
"AIRLIE,"
Captain Clyma, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 25th October, at 4 P.M.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric-light.
A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.
M.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA, are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and vice versa.
For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 9th September, 1899. [1149a]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship

"SARPEDON,"
Captain Grier, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 3rd October.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 8th September, 1899. [1148a]

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.'S "NEW YORK" LINE.
FOR PHILADELPHIA AND NEW YORK.
THE New Steamship

"PING SUEY,"
Captain C. de La Perrelle, will be despatched for the above Port, on or about the 5th October.
For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 21st August, 1899. [1020a]

Intimations.

ALL KINDS OF PROVISIONS, CUTLERY, BRUSHES, BROOMS, VINOLIA SOAPS AND SCENTS, FANCY GOODS, TOBACCOS AND CIGARETTES.
THE MUTUAL STORES (SUB AGENTS LIPTON LIMITED), 57 & 59, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
CHEAPEST HOUSE IN THE COLONY.
Hongkong, 5th September, 1899.

LEVY HERMANOS.
DIAMOND MERCHANTS, JEWELLERS AND WATCHMAKERS.
Sole Agents in the East for the amalgamated CLEMENT, HUMBER and GLADIATOR CO., LD., DUNLOP CYCLES BICYCLES—PRICE, \$160.
A special reliable Watch made for this Climate.
Quality A \$10
Quality B \$8
40, QUEEN'S ROAD, Watson's Building.

Intimations.

TREASURY BILLS.

TENDERS FOR SPECIE—MEXICAN DOLLARS, Current in this Colony, and weighing 7.17, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Officer in charge of H.M. Treasury Chest, until 11 A.M., on MONDAY, the 18th instant.
The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100.
The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in sealed covers, addressed to the Officer in charge of H.M. Treasury Chest, and endorsed "Tenders for Treasury Bills."
The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.
E. H. GORGES, Colonel, T. C. Officer, China.
Her Majesty's Treasury Office, Fletcher Street, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1180a]

NOTICE.
PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE, 166, Queen's Road East.
Mrs. HORTON.
Hongkong, 30th June, 1899. [853a]

DUMINY & CO.
CHAMPAGNE
EXTRA DRY
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M. OPPENHEIMER & Co., Paris.
SIEN TING, SURGEON DENTIST, No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET. TERMS VERY MODERATE. Consultation free.
Hongkong, 27th September, 1898. [41]

DENTISTRY.
SUI SANG, (Lately Practising with Dr. L. SAKATA), DENTIST, No. 4, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1899. [18a]

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.
Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbours:—
HUTTON HALL, British ship, Thurber.—Chas. E. Richardson & Co.

The Share Market.
LATEST QUOTATIONS.
(September 16th).
Banks.
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—350 per cent. prem.
The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Preference) nominal.
The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Ordinary) 55 buyers.
The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Deferred)—55 buyers.
National Bank of China, Ltd.—\$26 buyers.
Do. Do. —\$26 buyers.
Marine Insurances.
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.—\$260.
China Traders' Insurance Co., Limited—\$64.
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.—Tls. 200.
Yangtze Insurance Assoc. Ltd.—\$122.
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.—\$150.
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$5.
Fire Insurances.
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.—\$335.
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.—\$881.
Shipping.
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited—\$314.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Ltd.
China and Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.—\$91.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.—\$52.
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Preference)—59 buyers.
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—55 buyers.
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—53 buyers.
Star Ferry Co., Ltd.—\$19.
Refrigerators.
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.—\$148.
Luton Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.—\$54.
Mining.
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.—\$93.
Do. Preference Shares—\$2.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$240.
Quebec Mines, Limited—\$50.
Telebu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$138.
Raub A'lian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—\$631.
Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd.—(A) \$11.
Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd.—(B) \$7.
Great Eastern and Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—\$270.
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.—\$40.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited—\$99.
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd.—\$45.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.—\$8.
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.
China Resident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.—\$97.
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.—\$115.
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.—\$29.
West Point Building Co., Ltd.—\$35.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.—\$136.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.—\$101.
Miscellaneous.
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.—\$30.
China-Borneo Co., Limited—10.
S. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$17.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited—\$1.

EXCHANGE.
Hongkong, 16th September.
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 1/11 5/16
Bank Bills, on demand 1/11 1/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/11 13/16
D'cents, 4 months' sight 1/11 1/16
ON BERLIN, (demand) M. 1.09
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand 2.46
Credits, 4 months' sight 2.50
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 48 1/2
Credits, 30 days' sight 48 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 144 1/2
On demand 145 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 72 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight 73 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 44 per cent. prem.
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate \$10.24
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael \$34.40
Bar Silver 27 3/16
Dollars 2 per cent. prem.

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong, 16th September.
New Patna 840 per chest.
New Benares 817 1/2
New Malwa 750/770 per picul.
Old Malwa 780/840
Persian, paper tied 670/750

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VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.
CARLISLE CITY, British steamer, 1,894, Thos. Aiken, 7th Aug.—Mojoi and Aug, General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHUNSIANG, British steamer, 1,418, E. J. Buller, 9th Sept.—Java, Ports 1st Sept, Sugar, Jardine, Matheson & Co.
DEUTEROS, German steamer, 1,001, E. Petersen, 14th Sept.—Saigon 10th Sept, Rice, Siemens & Co.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British steamer, 5,904, G. D. Bowles, R.N.R., 12th Sept.—Vanconver 2nd Aug, and Shanghai 9th Sept, Mails and General.—C. P. R. Co.
GLENFARG, British steamer, 3,647, F. Selly, 13th Sept.—Singapore 7th Sept, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HAIMUN, British steamer, 636, W. J. Davis, 14th Sept.—Tamsui 9th Sept, Amoy 12th, and Swatow 13th, General.—Douglas, Larpaik & Co.
HOENZOLLERN, German steamer, 2,039, H. Kirchner, 17th Sept.—Yokohama 1st Sept, Kobe 5th, and Nagasaki 7th, General.—Melchers & Co.
HONGKONG MARU, Japanese steamer, 3,335, W. E. Filmer, 13th Sept.—San Francisco 17th Aug, and Shanghai 11th Sept, General.—J. S. Van Buren.
JOHN SANDERSON, British steamer, 2,080, J. Erskine, 6th Sept.—Singapore 30th Aug, General.—Dodwell & Co.
KONG WAI, British steamer, 1,115, R. Unsworth, 11th Sept.—Saigon 7th Sept, Rice.—Yuen Fat Hong.
KONG BENG, British steamer, 862, F. W. Joslin, 13th Sept.—Saigon 9th Sept, Rice.—Woo Kee.
LEGASPI, Spanish steamer, 565, Antonio Tribar, 4th Sept.—Manila 1st Sept, General.—Order.
LIGHTNING, British steamer, 2,122, S. H. Bolton, 10th Sept.—Calcutta 25th Aug, Penang and Singapore 4th Sept, General.—David, Sassoon Sons & Co.
MONKUT, British steamer, 839, N. G. Major, 12th Sept.—Bangkok 3rd Sept, Rice.—Yuen Fat Hong.
PICCIOLA, German steamer, 875, E. Schipper, Sept.—Saigon 8th Sept, Rice.—Chinese.
RIOTUN MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,972, J. W. Ekstrand, 12th Sept.—Mojoi 7th Sept, General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
SALVADORA, American steamer, 688, J. Goite, 10th Sept.—Manila 11th Sept, General.—Brandt & Co.
SUEVIA, German steamer, 4,129, Förck, 14th Sept.—Swatow 13th Sept, General.—Siemens & Co.
SUISANG, British steamer, 1,776, E. J. Todd, 24th Aug.—Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 18th Aug, Opium and General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
TAICHOW, British steamer, 862, P. Primrose, 9th Sept.—Bangkok 2nd Sept, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
TAIYUAN, British steamer, 1,459, R. Nelson, 3rd Sept.—Melbourne 22nd July, Sydney 20th, Brisbane 1st Aug, Townsville 14th, Cooktown 6th, Thursday Island 13th, Port Darwin 17th, and Manila 31st, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
TRIUMPH, German steamer, 675, A. Rieke, 15th Sept.—Swatow 14th Sept, General.—Jensen & Co.
UNITV, Norwegian steamer, 929, F. Hadsen, 12th Sept.—Samarang 1st Sept, Sugar.—Lauts, Wegener & Co.
YIKSANG, British steamer, 882, L. A. Muir, 15th Sept.—Swatow 14th Sept, Ballast.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
YUENSANG, British steamer, 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., 15th Sept.—Manila 12th Sept, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Sailing Vessels.
CHALLENGER, American ship, 142, Gould, 12th Sept.—Manila 2nd Sept, Ballast.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.
GOVERNOR ROBIN, American ship, 1,627, Nichols, 21st Aug.—New York 5th May, Kerosine Oil.—Standard Oil Co.
HUTTON HALL, British ship, 1,089, Thurber, 9th Sept.—Tacoma 25th June, Flour.—Order.
JOSEPHUS, American ship, 1,547, P. Gilkey, 30th Aug.—New York 25th April, Case Oil.—Standard Oil Co.
RETRIEVER, British schooner, 96, Parker, 8th Sept.—Honolulu 16th July, Ballast.—Order.
SIMLA, British 4-masted bark, 2,087, Huestis, 22nd Aug.—Cebu and Philippine Islands 2nd Aug, Ballast.—Order.
ST. DAVID, American ship, 1,450, Lyons, 16th Aug.—San Francisco 3rd June, Flour.—Order.

Post Office.

A Mail will close:—
For Bangkok—Per *Mongkut* to-morrow, the 17th instant, at 9 A.M.
For Hoihow and Bangkok—Per *Kongkui* to-morrow, the 17th instant, at 9 A.M.
For Canton—Per *Powan* to-morrow, the 17th instant, at 9 A.M.
For Manila—Per *Puente* on Monday, the 18th instant, at 2 P.M.
For Singapore—Per *Pyrrhus* on Monday, the 18th instant, at 2 P.M.
For Bangkok—Per *Taichow* on Tuesday, the 19th instant, at 9 A.M.
For Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samshui—Per *Samshui* on Tuesday, the 19th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Kongmoon and Samshui—Per *Wuchow* on Tuesday, the 19th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, San Francisco and San Diego—Per *Carlisle City* on Wednesday, the 20th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Penang and Newchong—Per *Kongkui* on Wednesday, the 20th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Seattle—Per *Ryofu Maru* on Thursday, the 21st instant, at 3 P.M.
For Kongmoon and Samshui—Per *Wuchow* on Thursday, the 21st instant, at 4 P.M.
For Kongmoon, Samshui and Wuchow—Per *Samshui* on Thursday, the 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
For Kongmoon and Samshui—Per *Wuchow* on Saturday, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M.
For Kongmoon, Samshui and Wuchow—Per *Samshui* on Monday, the 25th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne—Per *Taiyuan* on Wednesday, the 27th instant, at 10 A.M.
For Amoy, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of Japan* on Wednesday, the 27th instant, at 11 A.M.
For Hongkong, India, via Tutankham, Per *Delia* on Saturday, the 30th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Europe, &c., India, via Tutankham, Per *India* on Saturday, the 30th inst., at 11 A.M.
For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Rokkila* on Saturday, the 30th instant, at 3 P.M.

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Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, FUMIE, PORT SAID, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"MARIA VALERIE," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This vessel brings Cargo—From Venice, ex S.S. *Massimiliano* transhipped at Trieste.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 18th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 18th instant, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1899. [1173a]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

THE Company's Steamship

"MOYUNE," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th instant.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 19th instant, will be subject to rent.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th September, 1899. [1170a]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENFARG," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional cargo will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 20th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and all ship damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Co. within ten days of steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognised.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th September, 1899. [1168a]

NOTICE.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"HONGKONG MARU," The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1899. [1310]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"COROMANDEL," Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—From London, ex S.S. *Korur*.

From Australia, ex S.S. *Oriental*.

From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co's Steamers.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 21st instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1899. [1175]

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Hongkong, 15th September 1899. [145]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN," Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1899. [1172a]

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"MAIDZURU MARU," Captain T. Ogata, will be despatched for the above ports, TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1899. [1151a]

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"INDRANI," Captain Campbell, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1065a]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG," Captain P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at 3 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th September, 1899. [1167a]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SACHSEN," Captain F. Mentz, due here with the outward German Mail about the 19th instant, will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1899. [1169a]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG," Captain Moore, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 22nd instant.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.

The Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1899. [1147a]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN," Captain Nelson, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at Noon.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1899. [1147a]

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FOR MANILA.

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A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1899. [1146a]

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"ARGVILL," will be despatched for the above port and will be followed by S.S. "JOHN SANDERSON" at intervals of 2 weeks.

For Freight, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1899. [941a]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN AND NEWCHANG.

THE Company's Steamship

"KWEIYANG," Captain Outerbridge, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1899. [1135a]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PYRRHUS," Captain Batt, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th September, 1899. [1093a]

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

(ROBT. M. SLOMAN & CO.—HAMBURG).

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Full-powered Steamship

"PISA," Captain Fendt, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 23rd instant.

The Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and has an Average Speed of 13 knots per hour.

For Freight or Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1899. [938a]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AIRLIE," Captain Clyma, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 2nd October, at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA, are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1899. [1149a]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"SARPEDON," Captain Grier, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 3rd October.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1899. [1148a]

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.'S "NEW YORK" LINE.

FOR PHILADELPHIA AND NEW YORK.

THE New Steamship

"PING SUEY," Captain C. de La Perelle, will be despatched for the above Port, on or about the 5th October.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st August, 1899. [1020a]

Intimations.

ALL KINDS OF PROVISIONS, CUTLERY, BRUSHES, BROOMS, VINOLIA SOAPS, AND SCENTS, FANCY GOODS, TOBACCOS AND CIGARETTES.

THE MUTUAL STORES (SUB AGENTS LIPTON LIMITED), 57 & 59, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

CHEAPEST HOUSE IN THE COLONY. [1389]

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1899.

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Intimations.

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TENDERS for SPECIE—MEXICAN DOLLARS, Current in this Colony, and weighing 7.17, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Officer in charge of H.M. Treasury Chest, until 11 A.M., on MONDAY, the 18th instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in sealed covers, addressed to the Officer in charge of H.M. Treasury Chest, and endorsed "Tenders for Treasury Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

E. H. GORGES, Colonel, T. C. Officer, China.

Her Majesty's Treasury Office, Fletcher Street, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1899. [1180a]

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Mrs. HORTON.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1899. [853a]

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Hongkong, 27th September, 1898. [41]

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No. 4, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1899. [118a]

NOTICE.

NEITHER THE CAPTAINS, THE AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbours:—

HUTTON HALL, British ship, Thurber—Chas. E. Richardson & Co.

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS. (September 16th).

Banks.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—350 per cent. prem.

The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Preference) nominal.

The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Ordinary) 21 buyers.

The Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.—(Deferred)—25 buyers.

National Bank of China, Ltd.—26 buyers.

Do. —26 buyers.

Marine Insurance.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.—\$260.

China Traders' Insurance Co., Limited—\$64.

North China Insurance Co., Ltd.—Tls. 200.

Yangtze Insurance Assoc. Ltd.—\$122.

Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.—\$150.

Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$5.

Fire Insurance.

Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.—\$335.

China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.—\$883.

Shipping.

Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited—\$314.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Ltd.—\$71.

China and Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.—\$91.

Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.—\$52.

China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Preference)—\$10 buyers.

China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$10 buyers.

China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$13 buyers.

Star Ferry Co., Ltd.—\$19.

Refineries.

China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.—\$148.

Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.—\$54.

Mining.

Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.—\$91.

Do. —Preference Shares—\$2.